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AND DIOCESE OF NORWICH.

Exhibited at the Primary Visitation of the Right Reverend
Father in GOD, *Lewis*, Bishop of the said Diocese,
held at *Woodbridge*, MAY 22nd 1784:

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I N T R O D U C T I O N.

PUBLICATIONS of this kind need but little apology; their utility cannot be questioned when executed faithfully. How far I have succeeded in the present attempt, is humbly submitted to the judgement of those, for whom it is chiefly intended. No care or pains have been omitted on every occasion, to collect information, as opportunity presented itself; and, I shall further think myself obliged for any authentic intelligence respecting this subject, that may have escaped my notice. The addition of the principal Donations at large, to the *original Terrier*, (will easily be distinguished by the references under each Article) to which is connected, the names of the present Trustees,—annual Outgoings, and such other necessary information, tho' apparently minute, as require some explanation.

Oral Tradition says, the Town formerly enjoyed the benefit and absolute right of a Quay, with other Appendages, (exclusive of what is mentioned in the old Terrier) for the purpose of merchandise; likewise several small parcels of Land, which are now deemed as private property; the evidences by which they were held, having long since been lost, or destroyed. The earliest Terrier remaining in the Bishop's Registry, bears date in 1716, by which it appears, that a confused and very imperfect account was exhibited at that time; the names of most of the Donors being entirely suppressed, or unknown.

Here I beg leave to acknowledge my particular obligations to the Rev. Mr. *Cartbew*, for the very liberal manner in which he permitted me the free use of his MS. Papers, and extracts from the Register, as without their assistance, this publication would have been very imperfect. The Schedule of Baptisms, &c. with other Memorandums respecting the progressive increase of the Inhabitants, to an inquisitive mind, must be peculiarly acceptable. It was my intention to have connected with the Terrier, a short History of the Ancient and Present State of the Town, but that must be postponed to some future period, 'till a larger collection of materials can be procured for that purpose.

Woodbridge, Aug. 13th.
1787.

Robt Loder.

Concerning the *Curacy*.

[In the Notes to the Terrier, pa. 1. after the Preamble, beginning at line 13^b with the words "The Curate was formerly &c." dele to the end of the 19th line, ending with the words "following Donation."—and substitute in their room, as under]

The Church being only a bare *Curacy*, without any fixed Stipend, Mrs. Dorothy Sekford did by her *Will, in 1672, devise her impropriated *Rectory* of *Woodbridge*, to Trustees, for the benefit of the Minister for ever, on certain Conditions, and pursuant thereof, the Minister has the full Enjoyment of all the Rectorial and other Tythes and Emoluments appertaining to the Church. This *Curacy* was also in 1727, further augmented with the Sum of £400. half of which was raised by Mrs. *Baron's* Legacy, joined to private Donations; and the other half by the Governors of *Queen Ann's* Bounty; with this £400 an Estate at *Foxhall* has been purchased, which lets at £25. per Ann.—So that now the *Curacy* is no mean Preferment.

*Clause in the Will of Mrs. Dorothy Sekford, dated 19th June, 1672.

"And for, touching and concerning the said *Rectory* or Parsonage of the said Parish Church of *Woodbridge* aforesaid, and all the Glebe Lands, Tenths, Tyths, Offerings, Oblations, Obventions, & Appurts thereto belonging; I do appoint, limit, and declare and will, and devise the same to be enure remain and go (here follow several limitations to her Nephews and their Heirs in tail Male)—Upon special Trust & Confidence reposed in them my said Nephews, and their respive Heirs & Assigns, according to the limitation aforesaid, that every of them respectively during such Time as they or any of them according to the said limitations are or ought to have the Estate of or in the said *Rectory*, according to this my Will as aforesaid, shall from Time to Time, and at all Times, as often as there shall be Occasion, appoint, provide, and settle an Orthodox Divine of Ability in Learning, and of a godly Life and Conversation, & ordained according to the Doctrine & Discipline of the Church of *England*, to serve the Cure as a Minister of GOD's Word, in the said Parish Church of *Woodbridge*, to continue during his Life, if he so long conform to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of *England*, and live futable to his Calling; and that they shall permit & suffer such Minister as shall be so by any of them appointed, or allowed Curate of the Parish Church of *Woodbridge*, and shall serve the said Cure, to receive, take & enjoy all the Tyths, Tenths, Oblations, Obventions, and other Profits of or belonging to the said *Rectory* or Parsonage, or to the *Rector* thereof, (for the Time being); and for the repairing of the Chauncell of the said Parish Church of *Woodbridge*; and for the payment of all Synodals, Procurations, and other Duties payable out of the said *Rectory* or Parsonage. *Provided always*, and my Will and Meaning is, that if such Minister so appointed or allowed to serve the said Cure, shall neglect the due Service thereof, or shall become Schismatical or Heretical, or shall not conform to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of *England*, or shall be of scandalous Life, that for any of the said Causes, such of my said Nephews, & of the Heirs & Assigns of any of them, that then shall or ought to have the Estate of or in the said *Rectory*, according to this my Will, shall and may expell, put out and remove any such Curate from serving the said Cure; and appoint, provide and settle another Divine so qualified as aforesaid in his stead, who I Will shall have and enjoy all the Tyths, & all other Profits of the said *Rectory*, as he so expelled should have done, had he continued allowed Curate. *And provided further*, my Will and Meaning is, that if any Curate of the said Parish Church, (for the Time being) shall at any Time or Times neglect to repair the said Chauncell of the Parish Church of *Woodbridge*, that then and so often it shall be lawful for, (and I do desire such of my said Nephews, or any of their respive Heirs & Assigns, who then shall or ought to have the Estate of or in the said *Rectory*, according to this my Will) to cause the said Chauncell to be repaired, and to take so many Tyths & Profits of or belonging to the said *Rectory*, for the said Reparations, as shall be sufficient to pay & discharge all that shall be laid out and disbursed for any Charge or Attendance thereabouts, any thing before herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding."

ERRATA.

Pa. 6. line 13. for *William Kest*, Clerk,—read—*William Kett*, Esquire.

Pa. 7. line 14. The same alteration.

Same Pa. below, for *William Kest*, Clerk,—read—*William Kett*, the younger, Clerk.

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355 Circumference of the Parish Bounds, measured by a Perambulator, in the Year 1764,
 Seven Miles, Forty Chains, and Fourteen Links.
 •• Number of Inhabitants of all Denominations, about Two Thousand Seven Hundred.

A True TERRIER of the Messuages, Lands, and Appurtenances Appropriated to the PERPETUAL CURACY of Woodbridge, in the County of Suffolk, and Diocese of Norwich, and now in the Tenure and Occupation of Thomas Cantherb, Clerk, perpetual Curate there, or his Undertenants. Also an account of all the Charities, Estates, and Town-Houses, belonging to the said Parish of Woodbridge. Also an account of all the Goods and Ornaments belonging to the Church of Woodbridge, as the same were taken at a Vestry-Meeting, called and holden for that especial Purpose, and exhibited at the Primary Visitation of the Right Reverend Father in God, Lewis, Lord Bishop of Norwich, holden at Woodbridge, on the twenty-second Day of May, One thousand Seven hundred Eighty-four.

“ In Times of Popery there were many Churches, the intire Revenue of which was appropriated, annexed, and united *Manſi, Monachorum*, and not like other Appropriations, under the Tie of having perpetual Vicars appointed in them, but left to be served by temporary Curates, belonging to their own House, and sent out as Occasion required. But when such Appropriations, together with the Charge of providing for the Cure, were transferred from Spiritual Societies to single Lay Persons, who were not capable of serving them by themselves; and who, by Consequence, were obliged to nominate some particular Person to the Ordinary for Licence to serve the Cure; the Curates, by this Means, became so far perpetual, as not to be wholly at the Pleasure of the Impropiator, nor removable, but by the due Revocation of the Licence of the Ordinary.”

Thomas Young, after the Dissolution of Woodbridge Priory, was instituted Vicar, 26 June, 1555, upon the Collation of the Bishop, by lapse; but being soon sensible of the Mistake that it was no Vicarage, the same Year he was called *Capellanus Parochialis*.

The Curate was formerly allowed 10*l.* per Ann. but in the Year 1667, Mrs. Dorothy Seckford granted a Lease to the then Curate, (Mr. Edmund Bromie) of all the Tythes and Profits in the Town of Woodbridge; and by her last Will, enjoined her Heirs and Successors, to grant the like Lease to every succeeding Curate; which Tythes and Profits were then returned to be worth 45*l.* per Ann. — Mrs. Seckford died in the Year 1673.

The Curacy was still further augmented, by the Governors of Queen Ann's Bounty, with the following Donation.

ONE Messuage or Tenement, with the Barn, Stable, Outhouses, and Land thereto belonging, containing by actual Survey, twenty-eight Acres and sixteen Rods, situate, lying, and being in the Parish of Foxball, in the said County of Suffolk, together with a Right of Commonage upon the Common of Foxball; now in the occupation of Benjamin Mason, at the Yearly Rent of Twenty-five Pounds; which said Estate was purchased with the sum of three hundred and eighty Pounds, part of the sum of four hundred Pounds, appropriated to the said Curacy, by the Governors of Queen Ann's Bounty. The remaining twenty Pounds are still in the Hands of the said Governors, the Interest whereof is annually paid to the Curate.

The Easter Oblations, of Customary Right, due from the Parishioners, are annually presented to the Curate.

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On the 7th of July, in the 26th Year of the Reign of Henry VI. The Prior and Convent gave a Piece of Land, (12 rods, with its appurtenances) towards augmenting the Church-Yard.

John Wyngfeld, Esq. Lord of the Manor of *Woodbridge* late Priory, by a Deed of grant in the 33d Year of *Henry VIII.* gave a Piece of Land adjoining to the Church, (and whereon the Priory-Church formerly stood) for the Purpose above-mentioned.

Account of Charities, Estates, and Town-Houses. A

FIRST,—An Almshouse, and Garden thereto belonging, situate in the said Town. Founded in the Year One thousand Five hundred and Eighty-seven, by *Thomas Seckford*, Esquire, Master of the Requests, for the reception of Thirteen Poor Men. Also, a Messuage in the said Garden, for the reception of Three Poor Widows, Nurfes to the said Almsmen. For the Support thereof, endowed by the said *Thomas Seckford*, with an Estate in the Parish of Saint (1) *John, Clerkenwell*, in the (2) City of *London*; now lett on Building Leases, at the neat annual Rent of Five Hundred and Sixty-three Pounds. And also, with a small Tenement in *Woodbridge*, called (3) *Coptball*; now lett to *Moses Cae*, at the annual Rent of Ten Shillings.

Read (1) *James*. (2) County of *Middlesex*.

(3) *Coptball* was the ancient Residence of the Nurfes; but being found inconveniently situated, together with its falling into Decay, the ground was lett upon a Building-Lease, as above recited. —The new Building contiguous to the Almshouse, was erected in the Year 1748, and the Inhabitants at a Vestry-Meeting in the same Year, gave 12*l.* from their Poor Rate, towards finishing it.

Annual Rent of the Estates in *Clerkenwell*, and *Coptball* in *Woodbridge*, £563. 10 0

Pensions and Outgoings per Ann.		
To the Principal,	£27	0 0
12 Poor Men, each £20.	240	0 0
3 Nurfes, each £12.	36	0 0
Exhibition to the Minister,	10	0 0
Exhibition to the Churchwardens, each £5.	10	0 0
<i>Clerkenwell</i> Poor,	10	0 0
	£333	0 0

The amount of the above Sums, are paid in their respective Proportions, on or about the usual Quarterly Days. The remaining £230 10 is expended towards Cloathing, Firing, Surgeon, Repairs, &c. The Surplus, (if any) to be distributed among such poor and indigent People, living in *Woodbridge*, as do not receive the Alms of that, or any other Parish.

Abstract of the Last Will and Testament of *Thomas Seckford*, Esquire, one of the ordinary Masters of Requests, to the Queen's most excellent Majesty, set down in Articles, and begun this first Day of *August*, in the xxixth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady *Elizabeth*, by the Grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c.

(The Gift of the Almshouse and Lands in *Woodbridge*, to the Governors.)

“ And whereas I stand seized to me and my Heirs, of and in one Messuage, containing seven Houses or Dwellings all under one Roof, by me lately erected, and builded of Brick and Stone, with two Stories and one Garret in every one of them, situate in *Woodbridge*, in the County of *Suffolk*, which by Licence from the Queen's Majesty, under her Highness' great Seal of England, I lately erected and founded for an Almshouse, and the same is now by Words mentioned and contained in the said Letters Patents, called *SECKFORD'S ALMSHOUSE*; and of and in four Gardens, appointed and laid out to the same. And also, of and in two Acres and three Rods of Land, lying on the West

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West part of the said Messuage and Gardens. And also, of and in one Rood of Land, with a Fountain or Well, within my newly inclosed Park, at Woodbridge aforesaid. I give and Bequeath all the the said Messuage, Gardens, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments to the Governors of the House of Poor, or Almshouse, called *Seckford's Almshouse*, in Woodbridge, in the County of Suffolk. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said Messuage, and all other the Premises with the Appurtenances, to them the said Governors, and their Successors for ever. To the Intent there shall be in the said Houses or Dwellings continually resident, either in the Life, or after the Death of me the said *Thomas Seckford*, thirteen poor Men, or some of them, (that is to say) in every of those six Houses of the said seven Houses or Dwellings that be westward, two poor Men unmarried; and in the seventh House or Dwelling towards the east, one only poor Man, which shall be called the *Principal* of the Poor aforesaid, according to the Tenor of her Majesty's said Licence to me granted, bearing Date the xxiiij Day of May last past, and according to my true meaning expressed in certain Ordinances and Statutes by me made, devised, and set down in Writing, under my Hand, for the better Government and Order of the said thirteen poor Men. "—

(The Gift of the Tenements in Clerkenwell, to the Governors.)

" And whereas I stand seized to me and to my Heirs, of and in all those Parcels of Ground hereafter mentioned, lying within the Close, heretofore called *St. Mary Close*, in the Parish of *Clerkenwell*, in the County of *Middlesex*, which now to my great Charges I have inclosed with a Brick-Wall, (that is to say) of and in all that principal new builded House or Houses, next to *St. John's*, wherein I now dwell, with the broad Walk under the South Wall of the said Close called *St. Mary Close*, with one Piece of Ground set forth appointed and laid out to belong to the said House, which said Piece of Ground, besides the said Walk, and beside the Walk at the West end of the same containeth half an Acre; which said House and Houses, and other the Premises, I purpose to demise and lett for divers Years, for the yearly Rent of Thirty and six Pounds. And of and in one other new builded House, containing a Hall, a Parloar, a Kitchen, three Chambers, and two Garrets, and a Cellar under the same Hall to the said principal House adjoining, with the Gatehouse, Wash-house, and other Buildings. And of and in a Garden-Plott, and one Piece of Ground set out and appointed to belong and appertain to the said new builded House, containing by estimation half an Acre and eleven Perches, besides the Walk at the West end of the same; which said last recited Premises are now demised together to one ——— for the yearly Rent of Twenty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings Four-pence. And also, of and in one Stable, with the Yard belonging to the same; and of and in one Piece of Ground, containing by estimation, two Acres and thirty-two Perches, appointed for the making of my Gardens, as the same be now demised together, to *William Bowes*, Esquire, and *Thomas Hall*, Gentleman, for the Term of sixty Years, for the yearly Rent of thirty-two Pounds. And also, of and in certain Ground or Gardens, as the same is now fenced and inclosed with a Brick-Wall on the East and North Parts, and with a Timber-Wall and Quicksett on the West part, and with a Ditch and Quicksett on the South part, containing by estimation, ——— Acres, as the same is now demised to one *William Gold*, for the Term of thirty Years, for the yearly Rent of Eighteen Pounds. The whole yearly Revenue of all which said Premises, as the same are or may be letten for, amounteth to the Sum of £112 13s 4d. I give and bequeath all the said new builded Houses, Gardens, Stables, Grounds, and all other the Premises before recited, and the Rents, Reversion and Reversions, and Inheritance of the same, and every Part and Parcel thereof, unto the Governors of the said House of Poor, or Almshouse, called *Seckford's Almshouse*, in Woodbridge, in the County of Suffolk. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to them, and their Successors for ever. To the intent, that the Issues, Revenues, and Profits yearly coming, arising, and growing, of all the said before recited Premises, shall be yearly employed and bestowed by the said Governors, and their Successors, for and towards the perpetual Sustentation and Maintenance of the Poor of the said Almshouse, and upon the reparation of the said Almshouse, and of the said Premises; and to such other Uses and Intents, as by the Statutes and Ordinances by me the said *Thomas Seckford* made, concerning the Government and Order of the said Almshouse, is limited and set down in Writing under my Hand. "

The Right Honorable *The Master of the Rolls*, and the Right Honorable *The Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas*, (for the Time being) are Governors of this Charity. The Curate, and Church-Wardens of Woodbridge, (for the Time being) have the executive Management,

[A compleat Collection of all the Statutes and Ordinances, with other Documents relating to this Charity, is preparing for the Press, and will be published with all convenient speed.]

Also,

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And also a Free School, endowed with a School House, Garden, and Appurtenances, with Two Acres and a Half of Pasture Land, called (1) Willard's Charity Land, lying in the Parish of Woodbridge. And also endowed with the following yearly Rent Charges, with the Sum of Ten Pounds, chargeable on the (2) Town Estate in *Marsdenham*, (hereafter mentioned), with the Sum of Five Pounds, chargeable on (4) Lands in *Great Bealings*, late the Estate of *Samuel Atkinson*, Esquire, and now of *George Thompson*, Esquire, with the Sum of Five Pounds, chargeable on (3) Lands in *Bredfield*, late the Estate of *William Nevill*, Esquire, and now of *John Brand*, Esquire, and with the Sum of Five Pounds, chargeable on (6) Lands in *Sutton*, late the Estate of *Mrs. Edgar*, and now of *Burwell Edwards*; amounting together to the Sum of Twenty-five Pounds. By the Ordinances of this School, the Master is obliged to teach Ten Boys, (being the Children of the Inhabitants of the Town) free. And also any other like Boys, for One Pound yearly only. The present Master is *Robert Dyer*, Clerk.

(1) Founded in the Year 1662, by Indenture of five Parts, between *Robert Dyer*, the elder, of *Bredfield*, Esquire; *Francis Burwell*, of *Sutton*, Esquire; *Mrs. Dorothy Sedford*, of *Sticks Hall*, in *Great Bealings*, Widow; *Robert Marryott*, of *Bredfield* aforesaid, the younger, Esquire; and *John Sayer*, of *Woodbridge*, Gentleman, and Others, Inhabitants of the said Town. To the Three first mentioned Persons may be attributed the Establishment of the School; the latter being only Parties in the Deed of Indenture, on behalf of the Inhabitants, who, by this Settlement granted Ten Pounds per Ann. from the Town Estate above-mentioned, to the Schoolmaster for the purposes before recited.

(2) A Clause of *Mr. Willard's Will*, relating to ye Lands he gave to ye Free School of *Woodbridge*. (Dated 1679)

"Item, I do give & bequeath all my Lands & meadow grounds, with the Appurtenances, situate & lying near unto ye sign of ye *Oyster*, in *Woodbridge* aforesaid, unto *Mr. Philip Chandler*, Schoolmaster of ye Free School in *Woodbridge* aforesaid, for & during ye term of his natural life & after his decease, I do give, will, & devise ye said lands & meadow grounds, lying near ye aforesaid *Oyster Inn*, unto the sole use and benefit of ye Free School belonging to ye said town of *Woodbridge* for ever. And I do by this my Will, appoint & desire that *John Firmin*, of *Woodbridge* aforesaid, Merchant, *Thomas Redgrave*, Son of *Henry Redgrave* deceased, and *Thomas Firmin*, eldest Son of ye said *John Firmin*, & their heirs, shall be Trustees for ye aforesaid Lands & meadow grounds, for the use and benefit of ye aforesaid Free School of *Woodbridge* for ever.

Like The Rose and Crown. — Now (1787) The Joint Trustees.

(3) Called The Lamb Farm. (4) Called The Cherry Ponds. (5) Called Brays in the Rookwood. (6) Called Pettifree Hall.

In 1738 the following Trustees were appointed for the Free School: *Willard's Lands*; and the Hospital afterwards mentioned. viz. *Oliver Newby*, (dead); *John Mundy*, (dead); *John Loder*, (dead); *Daniel Pickers* the younger, (dead); *Richard Clark*, (dead); — (1787) *William Walsford*, the elder, the only surviving Trustee. — As the choice of New Trustees has been for some time in agitation, a blank space is left for inserting their Names, whenever such an Event may take place. — The Orders and Constitutions of the Free School, were printed in 1786, for the Use of the Inhabitants.

It may not be amiss, to insert in this Place, the Opinion of an eminent Writer, concerning Trusts and Charitable Donations. Lands or Tenements, should be given to Trustees in Trust to the Use intended: Which is from Time to Time to be renewed as the Trustees die off, not by a bare Election made by the Survivors: For that alone is not sufficient to vest the Trust in them. But the best Course will be, that the Trustees do by Deed convey their Right and Trust over to some single

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gle Person, who shall immediately by another Deed convey it back again to them, in Conjunction with as many other New Trustees as shall be thought fit to be added to them, still preserving the Lands to the Use of the original Donation. For if the Trust should by Survivorship be vested in one only surviving Trustee, and he should die before the said Trust be legally transferred to Others, the Lands will descend to his Heir, and it may cost the Parish a Chancery Suit to bring back the Trust again. So far with respect to Freeholds. But with regard to Copyholds, there is this difference; upon the decease of the last Feoffee, (without a new Election) the Lands, &c. would revert to the Lord, for want of a Tenant; and, in such Case, he may chuse whether he will re-grant to establish the Trust again.

The Free-School Premises, and Willard's Lands, hold on the Manor of Woodbridge late Priory, —School pays annual Quit-Rent, *q. 8d.* —Lands *21. 7d.*; which contain by actual measurement, two Acres and a Half, and fifteen Poles. Let at *£12. 5s.* per Ann.

Also, an (1) Estate, situate in the Parish of Martlesham, now in the occupation of the Widow Hall, at the yearly Rent of Forty-one Pounds. —

(1) The Gift of John Dod, in the Reign of Henry VII. called The Lamb Farm. The only Evidence found by the Minister and Churchwardens, respecting this Donation, in their Returns to Parliament, was an old Bill in Chancery, (*Q. Eliz.*) "where it is charged to be given for the Use of the Churchwardens and Inhabitants, to be employed by them for the Maintenance of the Poor People; and upon such other Charges as the said Township should be charged with."

This Estate was the Subject of a Chancery Suit a second Time, about the Year 1739. Mr. Anthony Burward, a principal leading man in Woodbridge, having got Possession by improper Means, and disposing of the Rents contrary to the Deed of Institution, was vigorously opposed by the Inhabitants, who, after a long Contest, recovered their Right, by a solemn Decree in their Favour. Mr. Burward being obliged to pay all Costs of Suit.

By an actual Survey, and Plan made in the Year 1786, this Estate contain Fifty-one Acres, Thirty-four Perches of Land, with its Appurtenances. Hold on the Manor of Martlesham-Hall, and pays Quit-Rent annually, *16s. 8d.* —Land-Tax, *£4. 4s.* Present Lease expires at Michaelmas, (1787.)

Feoffees appointed in 1775. (1787) John Brand, Esquire. Morden Cartbaw, Clerk. John Clarke, Clerk. John Page, the younger, Gentleman. Joseph Walsford, Gentleman, Cornelius Collett, Ironmonger. James Hammond, the younger, (son of James Hammond, Merchant) Richard Clarke, (dead)

Also, another (1) Estate, in the said Parish of Martlesham, now in the occupation of the said Widow Hall, at the yearly Rent of Fifteen Pounds. These two Estates are vested in Feoffees; and the clear Profits thereof, after payment of Ten Pounds annually, to the Master of the Free-School as abovementioned, are paid to the Churchwardens, and by them applied in Aid of the Church-Rates, pursuant to the Deed of Institution.

(1) The Gift of Mr. Jeffrey Pitman, by his Will, dated May the 18th 1627, from which the following is an Extract. "Item, I doe give, will, and bequeath unto my Sonne in Law William Alston, & unto the aforesaid Jeffry Burwell, and William Burwell, my Grandchildren, & unto Edmund Burwell my Sonne in Law, their father Thomas Bolton, of Woodbridge, Brewer, Thomas Webbs, of Woodbridge, & Thomas Webbs, his Sonne, & to their heires & assignes for ever, as Feoffees in trust, for & to the use & benefit of the Towne of Woodbridge, ALL that my Messuage, Lands, & Tenements, lying & being in Martlesham aforesaid, which be in the farm or occupation of Henry Jarmy, Blacksmith, or his Assignes, and which were leased at first, to Robert Westhorpe, or unto him the said Henry Jarmy, with all & evry the Appurtenances, TO THIS END & PURPOSE, that the said Jeffry Burwell, my Grandchild, shall during his life, take and receive the rents, issues and profits of the said premises, & shall yeerely employ & bestow so much thereof as shall be needfull & convenient, about the reparations & maintenance of the Church of Woodbridge, and the Members thereof; & the same to be bestowed and laid out with the advise & aid of the Churchwardens of the said Towne yeerely; and what is by him so disbursed & bestowed, to make account thereof to the chiefe Inhabitants of the said Towne, (for the time being) in evry yeare, upon Tuesday in Whitson-Week;

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son-Week; and whatsoever shall bee remaining & not bestowed and laid out as aforesaid, shall be forthwith yeerely spent at a neighbour-like & friendly meeting of the said chiefe Inhabitants and their wives, and so many of them as the said *Jeffry* my grandchild shall think fit; and after the decease of the said *Jeffry*, I will the said rents, issues and profits, shall be yeerely received & taken by the Churchwardens of the said Towne of *Woodbridge*, (for the time being) & bestowed & employed yeerely by them, in manner & form aforesaid, & they to yeeld Account thereof yeerely as is aforesaid.

This Estate was also surveyed, and is included in the Plan, with The *Land Farm*, before mentioned, and contain Nine Acres, Three Roods, and Seven Perches of Land, with the Appurtenances. Part holds on the Manor of *Sackford-Hall*, and pays annual Quit-Rent, 5s. 7d. About Four Acres hold upon the Manor of *Iken cum Framlingham*, and pay annually 1d. The present Lease also expires at Michaelmas, (1787.)

Feoffees appointed in 1749, for the Four Acres. (1787.) *Nathaniel Randall*, Esquire. *William Keet*, Clerk. *Joseph Walsford*, Surgeon, (dead.)

Feoffees appointed for that Part upon *Sackford-Hall* Manor, in 1775. (1787) *James Lynn*, the elder, Surgeon. *John Linsted*, the elder, Merchant. *Joseph Julian*, the elder, Draper. *Leonard Peirson*, the younger, Draper.

Also, a Piece of (1) Land, lying in *Martlesham* aforesaid, now on Lease to *George Howell*, at the annual Rent of One Pound.

(1) The Gift of Mr. *Pytman* before mentioned. By a Terrier dated 1716, these Estates are subject for the maintaining of his Monument. Contents of the Land, Three Roods, Six Perches, with its Appurtenances; which is also included in the Plan as above stated. Leased by the Churchwardens, for Ninety-Nine Years, dated Feb. 20th 1744.

Mr. *Pytman* having been a considerable Benefactor to the Town, a Description of his Monument, and Epitaph subjoined, may not be unacceptable:—

At the East End of the South Aile of the Church, fronting Westward, stands a lofty Monument of black and white Marble, veined red, adorned with three large Niches one above another, replenished with the Figures of a Man, his two Wives, and as many Sons, all in a kneeling posture, with their hands conjoined over their breasts. There also are some other small embellishments, together with the Figure of an Hour-Glass, subscribed MEMENTO MORI. The Inscriptions following are under the respective Parties, in gold capital letters, on black marble tablets.

4. Here lyeth JEFFREY PITMAN Esq: & sometime High Sheriffe of Suffolk who died ye. 21st. May A^o 1627 *Ætatis* 67 he had two Wives Alice & Anne Alice died 29 Avg. A^o 1615 *Ætat.* 52 by her he had 7 Children 3 died in their Infancy. William his eldest Sonne was a long Time Stvdent in Grayes Inne he died Sep. ye 23d. A^o 1615 *Ætatis* 24; Jeffrey his 2 Sonne was likewise Stvdent in Grayes Inne & died ye 9 of Feb. A^o 1626 *Ætatis* 24; Anne his second Wife still liveth as also his 2 Daughters Mary & Avise.

1. Constant Paines the Way to Praise
Wealth & Honour did him raise
Whom of Strife & Pride the Seeds
In him bredde no such ill weeds
An humble quiet Life he led
Now sleeps in Christ is not dead.

2. Alice his former Wife & Spouse most deare,
Like fruitfull Vine grew by him many a Year
To him a Sarah a Martha to his House
A Dorcas to the Poor and Piteous
This Sarah Martha Dorcas feel asleep
Left Husband House and Poor for her to Weepe.

3. Will'm his elder Sonne living was one
In whom divinest Graces brightly shone
Wite Learning Vertue Faith & Feare of God
All rarest ornaments in him abode
This grave in Youth Death cropt him in the Spring
And's Friends much Griefe him endless Joy did bring.

5. His younger Sonne that bore his Name
Thro' Christ his Saviour freed fro' blame
His Life was short yet lives he ever
Death has his due yet dies he never.

6. *Arms: viz. Gules a battle ax in saltire. Or. between 6 Mullets Arg.*

Also,

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Also, (1) Lands lying in *Melton*, now in the occupation of *Jonathan Churchyard*, at the yearly Rent of Five Pounds Ten Shillings.—

Also, other (2) Lands lying in *Melton* aforefaid, now in the occupation of *Thomas Purvis*, Clerk, Rector of *Melton*, at the yearly Rent of Nine Pounds.— These two Estates were the Gift of *John Sayer*, in the Year One thousand Six hundred and Thirty-eight; and out of the Profits thereof, (3) Twenty Two-penny Loaves are distributed every Sunday, to the Poor, at the discretion of the Churchwardens.

(1) Three Acres. There are no Feoffees. By an Order of Vestry, these Lands were leased for Eleven Years, by *Robert Loder* and *Thomas Alldis*, Churchwardens. Dated April 15th 1785.

(2) Eight Acres. Leased for Thirteen Years, dated 1781. Since the decease of Mr. *Purvis*, in the Hands of his Executors. (3) Augmented to 32 Loaves, in 1786.

These Lands hold upon the Manor of *Melton cum Ufford*, pay Quit-Rent annually 4s.

Feoffees appointed in 1753. (1787) *William Keet*, Clerk. *James Lynn*, Surgeon, *William Walsford*, Ironmonger. *Cambourn Wade Clarke*, (dead)

Also, Land called (1) *Woodbridge Common*; now under Lease, for Nine Hundred and Ninety-nine Years; for which an annual Ground-Rent is paid, of Ten Shillings.

(1) From a Copy of a Terrier, exhibited into the Bishop's Registry Aug. 4th 1760, It is thus expressed, "Also, Lands called *Woodbridge Common*, for which only Ten Shillings a Year is paid by the Occupiers, on pretence of an Old Lease for 999 Years; tho' the Estate being now improved by being built upon in Part,—Part made into a Quay,—and Part inclosed into a Meadow, is worth much more."—Formerly Leased to *Edward Munday*.

These Premises are generally known by the Name of *The Lime-Kiln Quay*; in the occupation of Messrs *George Keer* and *Co.* and *Others*.

The separate Opinions of Councillors *Thurston* and *Fazakerly*, respecting the recovery of the Town Common of *Woodbridge*, are entered in the Churchwardens Account Book; by which it appears, that the Case was improperly stated, or otherwise couched in such doubtful and ambiguous Terms, as to preclude all hope of Success towards a Recovery, in the improved state of the Premises.

Also, a Piece of (1) Land, lying near the *Throfare-Street*, in *Woodbridge*, now under a Lease unto *John Clarke*, Clerk, and his Assigns, at the yearly Rent of Two Pounds and Two Shillings.

[1] The Gift of *William Bearman* of *Stepney*, Middlesex, Son of *Thomas Bearman* of *Woodbridge*, Mercer, in the Year 1661. For the Use of the Poor for Ever. Leased for Sixty-one Years, dated 1766. Feoffees, *William Keet*, Clerk. *Loder Allen*, Clerk. *William Walsford*, Clerk. *Nathaniel Fuller*, Miller. Rent paid to the Churchwardens, (for the Time being.)

Also, a (1) Ground-Rent for a Stable, in the *Turn-Lane* in *Woodbridge*, of Two Shillings and Six-pence, yearly paid by the Occupier thereof, now *William Wade*.

(1) Part of the Premises belonging to the Cottages adjoining, the Gift of *WILLIAM SMITH*, afterwards mentioned.

Also, another (1) Ground-Rent, for a House in the *Throfare*, at the North-

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End thereof, of Two Shillings and Six-pence, which is yearly paid by the owner thereof, now *Searles Wade*.

(1) The above Clause should have immediately followed the Account of the Town Common, being Part of the same Premises.

Also, a Rent-Charge of Forty Shillings a Year, charged on a (1) House in in the Throfare Street, in *Woodbridge*, late the Estate of *Robert Hall*, Merchant. This sum of Forty Shillings is yearly laid out in the purchase of Coals, to be distributed amongst the Poor.

(1) Now belonging to *Thomas Salkeld*, of *Hasteton*, Gentleman.

A Clause taken out of Mrs. *Alice Osborne's* Will, dated 30th of September, 1677. "To WOODBRIDGE POOR for Ever.

Item, I do give, will and devise, unto my kinsman *Thomas Butall* of WOODBRIDGE, in the said County, Marryner, & to his heires & Assignes for ever, my Messuage or Tenemt. called the Malting-Office, with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging, or any wayes Apperteyning, situate in the throughfare in WOODBRIDGE aforesaid, now in the tenure or Occupacon of *Thomas Cooper*, his Assignee or Assignes, upon condicon Neuthelesse, that hee the said *Thomas Butall*, & his heires, shall on the feast day of the Nativity of o'r Lord Christ yeerely, & eury yeere for ever, pay unto the hands of the Churchwardens of the said towne of WOODBRIDGE, (for the time being) the Sume of forty Shillings, to be distributed & given out then in the Parish Church of WOODBRIDGE aforesaid, to the Poorest & most neediest p'sons Inh'tants of the said Towne, & upon nonpayment thereof, I doe will that the Churchwardens, (for the time being) of WOODBRIDGE aforesaid, shall enter into the said Messuage or Tenement, called the Malting-Office, and hold the same with the Appurten'ts, untill such time as they shall receive the same out of the Rents & p'fits thereof, together with such costs & charges as they shall bee att in gitting the same."

Mrs. *Osborne* was one of the Daughters of *John Sawyer*, (*Sayre* or *Sayer*) and lies buried under a black Marble Stone, in the North Aile of the Church; upon a brass plate of which, is the following Inscription,——

Beneathe this Stone JOHN SAYRE the Younger sleepest
Whilst Saints on hie his Soule in safety keepes
In Judgement Old in Years in Natures Pride
Thus Reader see both Younge & Old he di'd
Could Wisedom Loue or Learninge purchase breath
Thou hadst not di'd nor wee bewaylde thie Death
But Reader marke the Reason thou shalt finde
Heauen takes the best still leaues the Worste behinde.
Obiit anno Salutis 1622 Aetatis 26.

ANNA filia Jo'nis SAWER et ALICIAE ux. ej. ob. 12 Jvn. 1676 Aetat. suae 36.

ALICIA 3^a Nupta JOH' OSBORNE ob. 2 Oct. 1677 Aetat. suae 36.

Her Daughter first her Breath to Death resign'd
The Mother's Dvst in the same Grav's coffin'd:
Beyond the Brazen Lease of lasting Fame
Her *AVNALL Charity preserves her Name.

* Alluding to the Donation above mentioned.

Also, a Rent-Charge of Twenty Shillings a Year, charged on a (1) House in the *New Street*, in *Woodbridge*; late the Estate of (2) *George Carlow*. This last Sum is yearly distributed, in Bread to the Poor.

(1) Now

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(1) In the occupation of *Henry Winsor*. (2) *Carlow* was by Trade a Salesman; a strict Sabbatharian. Author of *Truth Defended: or Observations on Mr. Ward's Expository Discourses concerning the Sabbath*. The Controversy was carried on with much Asperity on both Sides, each of them claiming a Victory on the Subject. He lies buried in the Garden belonging to the above-mentioned House, under a large Monument, upon which the Bread is usually placed, previous to its being given away. His *Epitaph*, (alluding to the Donation, and being singularly remarkable in its Composition) is here preserved.—

(First Stone.)

Here lieth ye Body of GEORGE CARLOW who Departed this Life the 24th Day of March 1738 Aged 76 Years.

Wep for me Dear Friends no more
Because I am Gōne a little Before
But by a Life of Piety Prepare Your Selues
to Follow me

“ Good Friends for Jesus' Sake Forbear
“ to Mōve the Dust Intomb'd Here
“ Bless'd be the man that Spares thes Stones
“ Curf'd be he that Remōves my Bones. ”

Twenty Shillings Worth of Bread is to Be Given On. this Stone to the Poor of this Town On. the 2. Day of February. For. Ever.

(Second Stone.)

the Couetous Line Poor to die Rich : But what a Mistake & Miffaying It is : to say. such a man died worth so many thousands. when he left it all behind him : he had Been Rich Indeed. if in ye Senese of ye Apōstle: he had sent it to Heauen afore: hand: It is Probable he died the poorer for leauing so Much behind him : and Indeed. no man. Dies Rich unles Rich. in Grace. in faith & Good Works while he liued : but ye Rich Depart as Poor & Naked as any. & Leaueth ther Wealth to Others. 1. Tim: Chap. 6th. vers. 7. 8. 18. 19.

* 'Tis somewhat singular he should quote the Words of SHAKSPEARE, when his Religious Principles taught him to be considered as little better than a Heathen.

Also, a large (1) House, in the *Pound Street*, made use of as a Work-house.

(1) The Gift of *William Bearman*, before-mentioned, in the Year 1668. For the Use of the Poor for Ever. The Churchwardens and Overseers, (for the Time being) are Trustees.

Also, a large (1) House, with its Appurtenances, in the *New Street*, called The Hospital, divided into many Apartments, wherein the Poor dwell Rent-free.

(1) These Premises were anciently used for a Bridewell; but being incommodiouly situated, were purchased of the Justices, by the Inhabitants, in 1641, and have ever since been appropriated for the Purposes above-mentioned. Feoffees, (see the Free-School, and *Willard's Lands*, pa. 4.)

Also, two (1) Houses in the *Turn Lane*, divided into Six Tenements, in which Poor Families dwell Rent-free.

(1) The first House, (two Tenements) situate on the East side of the *Turn Lane*, was the Gift of *William Smith*, Gentleman, in the Year 1601. As was the Piece of Land adjoining, in the occupation of *William Wade* before-mentioned. For the Use of the Poor for Ever. The Churchwardens and Overseers, (for the Time being) are Trustees.—

The second House, (four Tenements) situate on the West side of the *Turn Lane*, was the Gift of *Jeffrey Pytman*, Esquire, before-mentioned, in the Year 1608. For the Use of the Poor for Ever.—The Churchwardens and Overseers, (for the Time being) are Trustees.

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Also, two (1) Houses, in the Throfare Street, divided into six Tenements, wherein Poor Families also dwell Rent-free.

(1) The Gift of *William Bearman*, before-mentioned, in the Year 1661. For the Use of the Poor for Ever. The above Clause should have immediately followed the Gift of the Land in the occupation of *John Clarke*, Clerk, (see pa. 7.) being Part of the same Donation. The Churchwardens and Overseers, (for the Time being) are Trustees.

Also, two (1) Houses with Garden adjoining, used as a Pest-House.

(1) Abuts upon the Lands, late *Cook's*, leading towards *Hasketon*. Purchased by general Subscription of the Inhabitants. In the Year 1729, the Small-Pox raged with considerable violence in the Town, 136 Persons dying of that Distemper; which was more than double the Average of any 20 Years Period preceding that Time. For these last 20 Years, this Distemper has been very moderate in the Town: Inoculation having much prevailed in the Neighbourhood. The Inhabitants enjoying the free Use of these Houses, upon the appearance of the Distemper, are usually removed thither, which has hitherto been the means of hindering the Infection spreading to any considerable degree, since that Period.

These Premises hold upon the Manor of *Bouldge-Hall*, and pay — Rent annually, 4*d*. The Churchwardens and Overseers, (for the Time being) are Trustees.

Nov. 1754, Mrs. *Mary Russell*, of *Kelsale*, by her last Will, gave the Sum of £10. in Cloaths and Money, to be distributed, at the discretion of the Minister, Churchwardens, and Overseers of the Parish of *Woodbridge*, amongst such Poor Persons as they should think most worthy. Which was done accordingly. The Names of the Persons who received the Donation, are entered in the Churchwardens Account Book.

Account of Goods and Ornaments belonging to the Church of *Woodbridge*.

First, Two large (1) Silver Flagons. Two (2) Silver Chalices with Covers. One Silver Plate for the Alms. And One (1) Silver Plate for the Bread; the whole weighing together One hundred and seventy-three Ounces, eleven Pennyweights. One diaper Cloth and Napkin. And one crimson velvet Carpet, with a broad gold embroidery, for the Communion Table.—

(1) The Gift of Mrs. *Ann Freston*, (Widow of the Rev. *Thomas Freston*, Vicar of *Cranford*, in this County) in 1753. Upon her accession to an Estate, she piously dedicated the First Fruits of it to GOD the Supreme; modestly declining any Inscription, or other ostentatious Memorial of this her Donation. During her residence in *Woodbridge*, she was liberal upon all Public Occasions, and the constant Friend of the indigent and necessitous.

(2) The Gift of *Jeffrey Pytman*, Esquire, before-mentioned.

Also, five holland Surplices. Also, two black silk Hoods. Also, one purple velvet Cushion, with gold tassels for the Pulpit; and one velvet purple Cloth, and a Desk Cloth, fringed with gold. Also, five folio and one quarto Books of Common Prayer. One large Bible. One book of Homilies. A Table of the Ten Commandments; and a Table of the Degrees of Marriage. One large brass (1) Chandelier. And two small Ones, for the reading-desk. —Also, a small Parochial Library, consisting of about (2) Two hundred Volumes, the Gift of *Thomas Hewett*, Clerk, late Rector of *Buckleham*. Also, eight Bells,

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Bells, with Clock and Chimes. One large Town-Chest. One Box for the Communion-Plate. Two (3) Fire Engines. Three Fire Cromes. Forty-two Leather Buckets; and a large Chest for the Engine Pipes. One Bier. And a Gradle for cleaning the Steeple; and two Ladders.

(1) The Gift of *Robert Elfreth* July 15th 1676. The Name of *Elfreth* occurs not in the Register; nor does Tradition know any Thing of him.

(2) Catalogues of the Books, were printed for the Use of the Inhabitants, in 1785.

(3) Purchased by the Inhabitants in 1731, and in the Year 1733 were very instrumental in extinguishing the Fire at the Almshouse; which was occasioned by the negligence of *Ezekiel Battel*, one of the 12 poor men resident in the house; but not before the Roof, part of the Floors, Windows, &c. were consumed.

In Witness to the Truth of the above Accounts, we have hereunto set our hands, this seventeenth Day of May, One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty-four.

Tho. Carthew, *perpetual Curate* of Woodbridge.

Jn^o Couperthwaite, }
Rob^t Loder, } *Churchwardens.*

Tho. Goodwin, }
Tho^s Alldis, } *Inhabitants.*
W. Walford, }
Nat^l Randall, }
Will^m Elvis, }
John Dowling. }

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Extract from the Schedule of the Overseers Returns to Parliament, under an Enquiry to certain Questions relative to the Poor. Dated Sep. 26th. 1786.

Amount of the Sums raised by Assessment upon the Inhabitants of *Woodbridge*, for the Relief of the Poor, in the Years 1783, 1784, and 1785. with an Abstract of the Expenditure.

1783. Amount of the Rates, £1035 1s 3d. From which 95 Persons received constant Relief.—109 Families, containing 277 Persons, received occasional Relief.—Expences of Overseers Journies, and Attendances on Magistrates, £1 7s 6d.—Expences for Orders, Examinations, Certificates, &c. £16 17s. 4d.—County Rates, £6 14s.—For other Purposes which did not concern the Poor, £79. 13s 8d.—Average Cost of Wheels, Reels, &c. used in spinning, £1 2s 6d. per Ann.

1784. Amount of the Rates, £928 0 6d.—From which 96 Persons received constant Relief.—130 Families, containing 335 Persons, received occasional Relief.—Expences of Overseers Journies, &c. 6s 8d.—Expences for Orders, &c. £13 13s 10d.—County Rates, £3 7s.—For other Purposes which did not concern the Poor, £25 8s.

1785. Amount of the Rates, £1111 13s 2d. From which 84 Persons received constant Relief.—128 Families, containing 337 Persons, received occasional Relief.—Expences of Overseers Journies, &c. 6s 6d.—Expences for Orders, &c. £8 4s 11d.—County Rates, £6 14s.—For other Purposes which did not concern the Poor, £33 6s 5d.

Number of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Parish of *Woodbridge*, during three Periods of 20 Years each, the first beginning with the year 1688, the second with the year 1736, the third with 1760.

First Period.					Second Period.					Third Period.				
		Bap.	Mar.	Bur.		Bap.	Mar.	Bur.		Bap.	Mar.	Bur.		
1688	1	35	2	49	1736	47	13	47	1760	50	18	48		
1689	2	43	7	81	1737	36	9	63	1761	59	19	42		
1690	3	31	9	57	1738	48	9	51	1762	71	16	67		
1691	4	41	9	57	1739	55	9	71	1763	66	21	52		
1692	5	32	5	46	1740	47	13	72	1764	70	13	62		
1693	6	40	3	59	1741	50	9	63	1765	74	25	59		
1694	7	46	7	79	1742	37	10	58	1766	68	21	72		
1695	8	50	12	39	1743	39	15	57	1767	74	20	66		
1696	9	62	11	49	1744	41	13	45	1768	75	19	40		
1697	10	60	15	32	1745	46	14	61	1769	73	18	51		
1698	11	52	15	31	1746	49	6	40	1770	66	24	45		
1699	12	48	8	37	1747	46	6	61	1771	73	18	47		
1700	13	50	13	22	1748	53	10	69	1772	72	22	67		
1701	14	55	9	46	1749	50	9	73	1773	77	17	66		
1702	15	46	6	41	1750	54	8	96	1774	68	22	58		
1703	16	50	7	63	1751	50	19	40	1775	86	17	47		
1704	17	38	4	59	1752	46	9	48	1776	75	14	59		
1705	18	41	10	46	1753	60	6	43	1777	71	21	59		
1706	19	43	13	57	1754	57	12	63	1778	82	18	66		
1707	20	45	6	45	1755	41	25	54	1779	76	19	78		
Total 908					952					1417				
171					224					382				
995					1175					1152				

The Columns of Baptisms contain those only of the Established Church. In the Columns of Burials are included Dissenters of all Sects.

Before the Marriage Act, it was the general practice to go to some neighbouring Village to be married, so that no Judgement can be drawn from the Number of Weddings before that Period.

*. There are, (communibus annis) 6 carried out of Town for Burial; and rarely 1 brought in.

Inquisition of the Inhabitants of *Woodbridge*, taken in the Years 1770, & 1777.

1770	Of the Established Church, 1973	1777	Of the Established Church, 2105
	Independents, 275		Independents, 283
	Quakers, 82		Quakers, 86
	Papist, 1		
	2331		2474

Taken in the Years 1760, 1763, and 1781. (no seperate distinctions.)

(1760) 2026. — (1763) 2197. — (1781) 2600.

(1781) 534 Houses. 591 Families.

Progressive Increase, from 1760, to 1763, — 171
 1763, to 1770, — 134
 1770, to 1777, — 143
 1777, to 1781, — 126

Total Increase in 21 Years, 574

(1787) The Houses being chiefly occupied, it is not to be doubted but the increase of Inhabitants amount to the number specified in the first page of the Terrier.

Memoranda.

" In the Year 1666, the Plague raged violently in this Parish. It appears from the Parish Register, that in the Months of July and August in that Year, there were buried no less than 327 Persons. Whereas the Burials in those two Months in each of the ten preceding Years, did not on an average exceed the Number of 12. Tradition says, the Dead were buried in the Field, now called *Bearman's Hill*. "

